



STATE OF MICHIGAN
TERRI LYNN LAND, SECRETARY OF STATE
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
LANSING

September 5, 2008

The Honorable Andy Dillon
Speaker of the House
Michigan House of Representatives
P.O. Box 30014
Lansing, MI 48909-7514

Dear Speaker Dillon:

Please be notified that this office has completed the canvass of the petition filed with the Secretary of State on May 1, 2008 requesting that a special election be called on your recall from the office of State Representative and has determined that the petition contains a sufficient number of valid signatures. (See enclosed staff report on the sufficiency of the petition.) A special recall election, therefore, will be conducted on November 4, 2008.

The determination on the sufficiency of the recall petition was rendered after a re-examination of 2,053 signatures obtained by circulators who were not registered to vote and/or did not reside in the 17th State House District at the time the signatures were collected. The re-examination of the 2,053 petition signatures was ordered under a Federal U.S. District Court ruling issued on August 27, 2008.

Further communications on the conduct of the special recall election will be forwarded to you through the Wayne County Clerk's office. The communications will include the procedures for submitting a "justification of conduct in office" for presentation on the ballot with the recall question as permitted under Michigan election law, MCL 168.966.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris M. Thomas".

Christopher M. Thomas
Director of Elections

cc: Cathy Garrett, Wayne County Clerk
Cynthia Hawthorne
Matthew G. Davis



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**Court Ordered Re-Examination of Recall Petition
Filed Against State Representative Andy Dillon**

Reflects re-examination of 2,053 signatures obtained by circulators who were not registered to vote and/or did not reside in the 17th State House District at the time the signatures were collected. The re-examination of the 2,053 petition signatures was ordered under a Federal U.S. District Court ruling issued on August 27, 2008.

Number of valid signatures required:	8,724
Number of signatures filed:	15,737
Number of signatures disqualified under initial staff report released on June 5, 2008:	- 7,789
Number of signatures accepted under initial staff report released on June 5, 2008:	7,948
Signature deficit under initial staff report released on June 5, 2008:	(776)
Number of signatures re-examined under Federal U.S. District Court ruling issued on August 27, 2008:	2,053
Number of signatures disqualified under re-examination:	- 1,098
Incomplete circulator certificate:	- 854
Facially defective signatures:	- 3
Duplicate signatures:	- 241
Total:	- 1,098
Net signature gain under re-examination:	955
Total number of acceptable signatures after re-examination:	8,903
Number of signatures accepted under initial review:	7,948
Net signature gain under re-examination:	955
Total	8,903
Excess number of valid signatures:	179